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Thankyou wins Employer of the Year at the 2015 Food Magazine Awards

Melbourne, Australia. On Friday 7 August, social enterprise [Thankyou](#) was named Employer of the Year at the 2015 [Food Magazine Awards](#) in Sydney in recognition for its contribution to the FMCG industry.

Thankyou's individual bar range was also recognised as a finalist in the Snack Food category.

Co-founder and Commercial Director at Thankyou, Jarryd Burns, accepted the award on behalf of the organisation.

"We entered the food FMCG market [boldly](#) with a strategy that many people said wouldn't work. To be recognised by the industry only two years on is truly humbling," said Burns.

The Employer of the Year award acknowledged Thankyou's commitment to culture, health and mentorship within its business.

"Culture is key! We value people - they aren't just 'resources'...our people are what makes Thankyou great. This is why we created a 'People & Culture' department instead of a 'Human Resources' department," said Co-founder and Director of Thankyou, Justine Flynn.

"We're constantly thinking of new ways to increase health and productivity. For example, most recently we initiated [squat o'clock](#) - every day at 3pm we gather together as a team to exercise by doing 100 squats. We find it provides a mental break in the afternoon, and it's also a lot of fun. I believe it's the little things that create a great work environment," Flynn continued.

To date, Thankyou has given over \$3 million to projects in 16 countries. The social enterprise has funded safe water access for 170,177 people, hygiene and sanitation programs for 231,582 people and 19.1 million days' of immediate food aid on top of their long-term food solutions to people in need.

Thankyou's complete product range includes food, body care and water products, and is available in selected Coles and Woolworths supermarkets, 7-Eleven Australia outlets as well as IGA, FoodWorks, Australia Post, Foodland and other independent supermarkets across Australia.

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